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## We Tell Too Much?

Allen W. Dulles, director of the highly secret Central Intelligence Agency of the United States government, has raised a thought provoking question, but one to which it is admitted an answer is not apparent.

It is Mr. Dulles' contention that "We tell Russia too much," his cautiously worded statement declaring that "sometimes I think we go too far in what our government gives out officially. . . ."

The usually close-mouthed Mr. Dulles, a brother of Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, said in a copyrighted interview in "U.S. News and World Report" that "I would give a good deal if I could know as much about the Soviet Union as the Soviet Union can learn about us by merely reading the (American) press."

He added: "We Americans publish a great deal in our scientific and technical journals and in congressional hearings. And, of course, in our free system of government, what we do in the field of legislation for national defense is open to the public. . . ."

"Sometimes I think we go too far in what our government gives out officially and in what is published in the scientific and technical field. We tell Russia too much."

But Mr. Dulles conceded there was little that could be done about it. He commented that "under our system, it is hard to control it." He seems very much concerned that too much might get out about the CIA, warning against any congressional investigation of the agency that would result in a disclosure of its secret activities or uncover its personnel.

Mr. Dulles, whose intelligence work covered both World Wars I and II, said the Soviet espionage system is the best in the world, but stated that U.S. propaganda is having "a real effect" in Russian satellites.

He described as "the toughest job intelligence has ever faced" the task of obtaining "good information" from behind the Iron Curtain.

He said: "It is, of course, very important for our government that we all succeed in that. We are not satisfied with the coverage at the present time and are trying constantly to improve it."

Mr. Dulles said wartime Germany was "a pipe dream" compared to obtaining information from Russia and the same held true for the other Communist countries. But he hinted that, as in wartime Germany, there is today in Russia an underground opposition movement which is helpful. Conversely, he thought the Russians were trying to infiltrate the CIA, but didn't think they would be successful.

Mr. Dulles expressed the opinion that while Soviet propaganda does not have as much effect today in Europe as it once did, "it is having substantial effect in Southeast Asia."

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